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PUBLIC HOLIDAYS
THURSDAY, 19th SEPTEMBER, 1899.
Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued at Sydney as follows:
1. To BUNNABONG, BOWENfels, BUNBURY, NEWCASTLE, and intermediate stations on the 18th and 19th September, available for return until 21st September.
2. On the Suburban Lines Holiday Excursion Tickets will be issued at and to all stations on the suburban sections during the 14 miles from 10th to 19th September, available for return until the following day.
3. On the 19th September a CHEAP EXCURSION TRAIN will run as under:-
Melbourne, 9.55 a.m. | Hawkesbury, dep. 4.20 p.m.
Hawkesbury, arr. 11.20 a.m. | Sydney, arrive 4.57 p.m.
RETURN FARES, including River Trip in Steam Launch, 10/-

**NEW SOUTH WALES AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S
SHOW AT SYDNEY**
18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st SEPTEMBER,
and
**RANDWICK RACES, 21st, 20th, 26th, and 29th
SEPTEMBER, 1955**
Holiday Excursion Tickets to Sydney will be issued at:

stations by ordinary trains from the 18th September till the 30th September, available for return till 30th September. The following special trains will be operated: On 19th September, a special train will leave Albany for Sydney at 2.45 p.m. and on 20th and 21st September, the Down Express will leave Sydney for Albany at 3.15 p.m. For the convenience of passengers from the Richmond area, the Western Main Train will be operated on the night of the races, and a branch train will run to Richmond.

GOSFORD FLOWER SHOW.
30th and 31st SEPTEMBER, 1959.

Holiday Excursion Tickets to Gosford will be issued daily between Sydney and all suburban stations as far as Ryde, available for return for two months. At stations Eastwood to Newcastle, inclusive, similar tickets will be issued on 19th and 20th September for trains to be booked up till noon on 21st September, available for return until 22nd September.

On SATURDAY, 21st September, the 1.50 p.m. train from

Bydney will be extended to Uxbridge, returning from there 8.50 p.m., arriving Sydney 10.15 p.m. - to be used by

DAVID KIERKALDIE,
Chief Traffic Manager.

Chief Traffic Manager's Office,
Sydney, September 10, 1939.

Manager's Office, Sydney,
September 17, 1939.

G O V E R N M E N T T R A M W A Y

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB SPRING MEETING,
First, 24th, and 26th and 28th SEPTEMBER.

SPECIAL TRAINS, suitable for private parties and ladies will leave the Bridge-street Platform at 12 noon each day for the Racecourse direct, arrive in time for the first race, and leave after the finish of the last.

Return Tickets, 3s 6d each, can be obtained at the Ticket Office.

SPECIAL FARE TO THE HANDWICK RACECOURSE

On the above dates the fare by Special Trams to the Handwick Racecourse, for the whole or any portion of the journey will be ONE SHILLING.

Special attention is drawn to the fact that on the dates mentioned the Handwick and Coombe trams will NOT STOP at the Racecourse Platform between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

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W. H. PALING and CO., Limited,
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THE AMERICAN STEINWAY and SONS,
very superior Pianos, at moderate prices.
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THE VICTOR PIANO
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BOONIE'S BRASS BAND'S INSTRUMENTS.
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and the
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TO SELECT PIANO OR ORGAN,
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MANY MODELS BY MANY MAKERS,
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Also, from a
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Lowest cash prices, easiest time payment, 6 years' guaran-
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PIANO BUYERS will see Pianos at all prices from £25, must be cash, at 29, Botany-st., of OXFORD-ST.

PIANO.—Gentlemen leaving the colony wishes sell his Walnut richford piano cheap.

Apply WALTER B. GALEY, 24, George-street.

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PIANO BUYERS, before deciding don't let the extraordinary bargains at 316, Bourke-st., near Oxford-st., pass you by.

HIGH-CLASS PIANOS, great bargains, at 316, Bourke-st., near Oxford-st., at 316, Bourke-st., near Oxford-st.

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Rosh, 247; Lipp, \$50; Steinway (German), \$37; Sim (Lipp system), \$35. All guaranteed 7 years. Mignos, \$2. Roseett, \$17. Cash only.

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Burckitt Cranes, Cranes, Travellers, Fawcett Grand
Pumps, and all kinds of Plant, and Engineers' Tools, great variety
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ENGINE, nearly new. Also a fine Centrifugal Pump.
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SATURDAY WEEK. — Waverley LAND SALE
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the advantage of their privilege to discuss matters among themselves. Their sensitiveness to public criticism is manifest in the notice which was taken of the letter of Mr. COWDERY, C.E., who, according to the Committee by implying that he had practically shunted him from giving evidence which might have been of value to them. If the Committee were to be fairly open to criticism, members of the Committee will do well to recognize that it is in the interests of the public that the Committee act, and that it is in the like interests that they should be subjected to reasonable criticism. If it was thought that certain evidence was shunted that might have been of value in the determination of any question before the Committee, the public would be justified in thinking that the Committee were giving the evidence. The function of the House is to keep the public acquainted with matters connected with the subjects they discuss, and especially but freely to criticize their action. Criticism, if reasonable, in no way discredits any public body. In English-speaking communities criticism does not lose its value because it is given impersonally. It is valued for what it is worth, and not for what the name of the writer may be. Public men who have any knowledge of the influence of newspaper literature conducted anonymously as in England, or with the name of the writer in France, would hardly think of asking the Australian Press to publish the names of its writers. There may be disadvantages under our newspaper system, but French experience has shown that the anonymous system has many advantages over the personal one.

The Payment of Members Bill passed its second reading in the Legislative Council last evening, and a majority of one finally received the sanction of that Chamber. The Post Office Approaches Bill was subjected to some very severe criticism, but was passed without amendment. The Public Works Committee Remuneration Bill was also read the second time, and passed. The House then adjourned until the following day.

The business paper of the Legislative Assembly yesterday opened with several questions of which were asked and answered. In reply to Mr. O'Connor, who inquired respecting the cost of carrying goods and passengers, and the amount of tolls on the line from Sydney to Newcastle, Mr. O'Connor said that the railway was not kept in such a way as to admit of this information being given. He said that it would take much time to give an answer to the first question, and that he would not do so. He said that the railway was not kept in such a way as to admit of this information being given. He said that it would take much time to give an answer to the first question, and that he would not do so.

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Some interjection being made by Mr. LAKEMAN, Sir Henry Parkes said he believed the member would support a proposal for members' correspondence being carried free by post. Mr. LAKEMAN said he would vote for it like a shot. The Premier said that the motion was unnecessary; it was calculated to detract from the dignity of their services in Parliament; and had never been asked for. Mr. Abigail supported the motion in the interests of those who promoted private bills. After a few days' discussion, the motion was carried by a majority of 10. Mr. Henry Parkes interjected that this was the worst thing that had ever been said against that House. Mr. Abigail went on to say that the impression of the public was that the members of select committees were paid, and had the right of the refreshment room as well. He moved as an amendment that the fee be two guineas instead of three as proposed. Mr. LAKEMAN supported the motion, on the ground that the hon. members should be compensated for the time and labour they bestowed on these matters.

A point of order was raised by Mr. CRICK that this was not a matter which could be dealt with in a session of the House, but Mr. Speaker ruled that there was no force in the objection. Sir Henry Parkes, speaking to the amendment, said it showed that the hon. members were not satisfied with the way in which the hon. members were paid. Mr. Frank Smith and Mr. Waldell supported the motion. Mr. Copland opposed the motion, and characterized those who were supporting it as "a set of scoundrels." Mr. LAKEMAN said that the hon. members were not satisfied with the way in which the hon. members were paid. Mr. Frank Smith and Mr. Waldell supported the motion. Mr. Copland opposed the motion, and characterized those who were supporting it as "a set of scoundrels."

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sale and competition, conditional purchase, lease, and local government. With regard to meteorology, a complete abstract of the returns from all the observing stations in the colony was given. The returns with regard to public works showed that the total number of houses existing in the colony had increased from 3270 in 1887, to 3368 in 1888. There has been a slight decrease in a few of the country towns, but in the Metropolitan District there has been a very remarkable increase, the houses in that place having risen from 40 in 1887, to 89 in 1888. The military statistics show the total number of the forces in this colony on the 31st December, 1888. The Permanent Force numbered altogether, including the head-quarters staff, 492. The Volunteer Artillery reached a total of 447; Engineers, 99; Submarine Miners, 103; and Infantry, 1984. There were 107 Mounted Infantry, and 1278 Recruits of all arms. The newly-established rifle club numbered 1431 men, and the grand total of the land force paid and unpaid of the colony was 6131. The Naval Brigade numbered 312 men, and the Naval Artillery Volunteers 154. The total number of guns in the colony was 189, of which 125 were mounted, 64 dismounted, and 3 unserviceable. There were also 13 machine guns. A return is also given of the fire alarms and the brigades in Sydney and suburbs, and during 1888 there were altogether 302 alarms. The number of houses in the colony was 3368, and the number of persons in the colony was 143,100. The number of persons in the colony was 143,100. The number of persons in the colony was 143,100.

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being at any stated periods. No compensation is to be given for licenses abolished, and all persons on the electoral roll are to be entitled to vote. It was stated that the members of the delegation were, as a party, prepared to take this question upon themselves in the House independently of any other parties, if the Ministry did not see fit to move in the matter, and put the question to a vote. Sir Henry Parkes said that the delegation was not one which he could decide alone, and he would have to consult his colleagues before giving an answer. As a Cabinet meeting was just about to be held, he would prefer to postpone his reply until this day week, when he would again receive the delegation.

The following deputations will be received by the Minister for Lands on Friday—Eleven men, residents of Castle Hill, with regard to opening and forming a road from Castle-road to Widdowson's; 1130 men, from the railway employees, asking for a grant of land as a site for a railway station; and 120 men, from the Municipal Council of Canterbury, respecting the opening of Sharp-street.

A statement was recently made to the effect that the Municipal Council showed the highest percentage of free pupils in the colony—that is, pupils who claim exemption from school fees on the ground of poverty. The percentage of free pupils in the colony is 34 per cent., whilst that of the Municipal Council is 41 per cent. At this state of affairs did not seem right the Municipal Council Public Instruction despatched a special-attendance officer to make a special inquiry into the matter. The officer was to ascertain the grounds upon which these statements were based. The officer has just reported to the effect that he had visited 13 schools, at which there were 177 free pupils, of whom 80 were described as being "poor." The officer also visited 13 schools, at which there were 177 free pupils, of whom 80 were described as being "poor." The officer also visited 13 schools, at which there were 177 free pupils, of whom 80 were described as being "poor."

The Metropolitan Agricultural Exhibition on Monday Park suffered yesterday to a considerable extent, and it is not probable that the show will be as successful as it was in previous years. The exhibition is not as successful as it was in previous years. The exhibition is not as successful as it was in previous years. The exhibition is not as successful as it was in previous years.

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In the No. 1 Jury Court yesterday the action Ramway v. Treasurer was concluded, and resulted in a verdict for plaintiff, with damages £410. The case was heard by Mr. Justice Forster, and the jury in Chambers, before Mr. Justice Forster, two matters of interest were heard. In the first an application was made on behalf of Joseph Stephenson to set aside a conviction had against him at the Police Court on a charge of selling adulterated milk. The judge held that the main ground taken, namely, that there was no proof of knowledge on the part of Stephenson, was fatal, and he granted the prohibition. The other application was on behalf of Edwin James Lecher, of the Police Court, who was charged with the sale of adulterated milk. The judge held that the main ground taken, namely, that there was no proof of knowledge on the part of Stephenson, was fatal, and he granted the prohibition. The other application was on behalf of Edwin James Lecher, of the Police Court, who was charged with the sale of adulterated milk.

In the No. 2 Jury Court yesterday the evidence in the action Murphy v. Lowndes and another, in which the plaintiff, a quartermaster, sued the defendants for injury received, was concluded. Defendant Lowndes was called in order to prove that the explosion was caused by carelessness on the part of the plaintiff, and that it was not caused by the negligence of the defendants. The judge held that the main ground taken, namely, that there was no proof of knowledge on the part of Stephenson, was fatal, and he granted the prohibition. The other application was on behalf of Edwin James Lecher, of the Police Court, who was charged with the sale of adulterated milk.

A case which is of great importance to municipalities was in the list for hearing yesterday in the "supreme Court," but upon the application of Mr. Salomons, the case was postponed until Friday. It is the action Borough of Alexandria v. Cooper, in which the question involved is one affecting the right of municipalities to impose lighting rates on land which is improved by the system of lighting by electricity. As Mr. Salomons mentioned, in applying for the postponement, the case involved will ultimately resolve itself into a question of law to be decided by the Full Court.

The Secretary of the Fire Brigades Board writes by direction of the chairman of the Board in reply to the question as to whether "our brigades are equipped with extension ladders, or do they depend, like the Melbourne firemen, upon the use of a chain of permanent ladders?" He directs attention to the fact that there are two large extension ladders stationed at the head-quarters station, with which the men are drilled almost every morning and evening in the week, and every engine is supplied with a set of extension ladders. The chairman of the Board is now being made to exist in Sydney a salvage corps, which is fully equipped with covering sheets, sponges, mops, and all other articles necessary for the use of the corps. The corps is composed of permanent members, and is a salvage corps, horse, and about 120 cover sheets, always in readiness, and turns out to most fire almost immediately with the Metropolitan Brigade. The whole cost of the working of this corps is borne entirely by the insurance companies, and is a charge of about £1000 per annum.

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A case which is of great importance to municipalities was in the list for hearing yesterday in the "supreme Court," but upon the application of Mr. Salomons, the case was postponed until Friday. It is the action Borough of Alexandria v. Cooper, in which the question involved is one affecting the right of municipalities to impose lighting rates on land which is improved by the system of lighting by electricity. As Mr. Salomons mentioned, in applying for the postponement, the case involved will ultimately resolve itself into a question of law to be decided by the Full Court.

The Secretary of the Fire Brigades Board writes by direction of the chairman of the Board in reply to the question as to whether "our brigades are equipped with extension ladders, or do they depend, like the Melbourne firemen, upon the use of a chain of permanent ladders?" He directs attention to the fact that there are two large extension ladders stationed at the head-quarters station, with which the men are drilled almost every morning and evening in the week, and every engine is supplied with a set of extension ladders. The chairman of the Board is now being made to exist in Sydney a salvage corps, which is fully equipped with covering sheets, sponges, mops, and all other articles necessary for the use of the corps. The corps is composed of permanent members, and is a salvage corps, horse, and about 120 cover sheets, always in readiness, and turns out to most fire almost immediately with the Metropolitan Brigade. The whole cost of the working of this corps is borne entirely by the insurance companies, and is a charge of about £1000 per annum.

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CABLEGRAMS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MEETING OF ASSOCIATED CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

At a meeting of the Associated Chambers of Commerce at Hull it has been resolved to support a proposed conference of the Home Government and the colonies, with the view of solving the question of Imperial federation and to urge the extension of the Merchandise Marks Act to all the colonies.

THE LATE SHOOTING CASE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

FRANCISCO.

LONDON, Sept. 18.

Deputy-marshal Nagle, who shot a barrister named Terry in San Francisco after the latter had assaulted Chief Justice Field, has been virtually acquitted. He has been released from prison.

COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The quantity of wheat and flour for the United Kingdom is now estimated at 1,664,000 quarters; and for the Continent, 334,000 quarters. The American wheat supply of wheat and flour is estimated at 15,925,000 bushels.

The present average quotation for Bank of Australia shares is £102; English, Scottish, and Australian Chartered, £37 10s.; London Chartered of Australia, £30 10s.; Bank of New South Wales, £37 10s.; National Bank of New Zealand, £2; Bank of South Australia, £28 10s.; Union Bank of Australia, £28; Bank of Victoria, £2; Mercantile Bank of Australia, £3 10s.

THE DOCK LABOURERS' STRIKE IN LONDON.

CONTINUED MOLESTATION OF THE "BLACKLEGs."

(BY CABLE.)

REPRESENTATIONS TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, Sept. 17.

The disputes between the union and non-union labourers in the London docks continue, and many outrages upon the "blackleg" workmen are reported.

It is stated that in one case 1000 of the men lately out upon strike attacked a body of 250 blacklegs in the precincts of the Albert docks. The non-unionists were chased into a cargo-shed, and, being dislodged, were driven from one shed to another, until at last they were penned in a corner of the dockyard. At this stage the interference of the police became necessary, and a body of constabulary prevented further molestation or actual violence.

In view of these occurrences, a deputation of the directors of the dock companies concerned waited to-day upon Mr. James Monro, C.B., the Chief Commissioner of the Metropolitan police, with a request that he should take measures to disperse the rioters and afford further police protection to the non-union labourers. This request Mr. Monro declined to accede to, stating that by the reports supplied to him from his officers it appeared that matters were going as smoothly as could possibly be expected under the circumstances.

The molestation of the "blackleg" labourers is not confined to the Albert docks. The disturbers are promptly paid off and discharged.

It is believed that others than the genuine dockmen are responsible for the outrages, and loafers are suspected of taking part in them.

Thirty "blacklegs" were chased by 150 men in the neighbourhood of the docks, and some narrowly escaped being killed by the dock engine.

Many "blacklegs" are so terrified by these attacks and the attitude of their assailants that they have abandoned work.

SEPT. 18.

A further body of 2000 men from the provinces are already competing with the labourers at work in the docks. The leaders of the men who were on strike are trying their best to induce the strikers to adhere to the terms already agreed upon.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MELBOURNE, WEDNESDAY.

The amount received to-day for the London Dock Strike Fund was £378 16s., the total to date being £71,915 10s. 11d.

NEWCASTLE, WEDNESDAY.

In Newcastle, up to the present, 2153 has been collected from the funds of the Miners' Association was cashed home free of cost by the local branch of the A. J. Stock Bank.

TENTERFIELD, WEDNESDAY.

The sum of £17 has been collected here in aid of the London Dock Strike Fund.

RYLSTON, WEDNESDAY.

The sum of £13 13s. 6d., subscribed at a public meeting for the Dock Labourers' Relief Fund, has been forwarded to-day to the joint hon. treasurers in Sydney.

WINDSOR, WEDNESDAY.

Owing to the public meeting in the dock labourers' strike having lapsed, the Mayor, Mr. F. J. Mordley, is making arrangements to have the town canvassed for subscriptions.

The East London Dock Labourers' Relief Fund Committee have received an offer from Dr. Sydney F. Jones to contribute £100 to the sum required to secure the offer made by Mr. Salomons.

The sum of £20 was realised by the collection made at the Pitt-street Congregational Church on behalf of the fund.

COTTAGE HOSPITAL AT JUNE.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

JUNE, WEDNESDAY.

A public meeting was held last night convened by the Mayor, when it was decided to proceed with the erection of the cottage hospital. A large sum is already collected, and an amount of £200 is down on the additional estimate for this purpose.

HINTS FOR THE AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

Our warning to country residents is—Don't be beguiled into buying worthless machinery. Agricultural implements run into money, and you cannot afford to buy anything that always waits repairing. Every article offered by the show must be of the best, and nothing better can be obtained; it is just what you need, and it is worth your while to see it. The show is the best agency.—(ADVE.)

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